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Senate Resolution 486

By: Senators Rogers of the 21st, Grant of the 25th, Chance of the 16th and Tolleson of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Georgia Institute of Technology and celebrating 100 years of architectural
- 2 education at Georgia Tech; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, in the academic year of 1908-1909, the Georgia School of Technology initiated
- 4 an architecture curriculum which has grown from a small undergraduate program with a local
- 5 reputation to an internationally respected college; and
- 6 WHEREAS, with the broadening of the school's curriculum to include a degree that
- 7 combined applied art as well as technical skill, Georgia Tech stepped outside the niche it
- 8 occupied as a first rate technical school to take its place among the premiere academic
- 9 institutions in the New South; and
- 10 WHEREAS, early graduates of the architectural program invented new building types and
- 11 gave dramatic shape to the modernization of the New South as seen in classical institutions,
- 12 in art deco public and industrial buildings from the 1940's, and in Atlanta's distinctive
- 13 skyscrapers, few of which have not involved Georgia Tech graduates; and
- 14 WHEREAS, transformative ideas in architecture and urban design such as Atlantic Station
- and the Atlanta Beltline took shape in Georgia Tech's classrooms; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the College of Architecture launches a new century of design research and
- 17 education championing advancements through academic programs in architecture, building
- 18 construction, city and regional planning, doctoral studies, and industrial design and helping
- define Georgia Tech as the technological research university of the 21st Century; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the College of Architecture is a leading producer of research and analysis vital
- 21 to effective and sustainable communities, including urban design and smart growth, high
- 22 performance design and green building, design for health care and healthy aging, spatial

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23 analysis and geographic information systems, assistive technology, and integration between

- 24 architecture, construction, and engineering; and
- 25 WHEREAS, the centennial of architectural education at Georgia Tech is an opportunity to
- 26 recognize its enduring impact on the public interest of Georgia and the United States, and it
- 27 is fitting and proper to recognize this historic achievement.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 29 commend the Georgia Institute of Technology's College of Architecture and extend
- 30 congratulations to the individuals who have left their imprint on the community through their
- 31 contributions as students, faculty, alumni, staff, or administrators.
- 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 33 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to College of Architecture Dean Alan
- 34 Balfour on behalf of the men and women of the Georgia Institute of Technology's College
- of Architecture.